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1. UNDER COVER OF A LETTER DATED JAN 10 FROM THE UNDERSECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (SPANISH PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE ON THE US-SPANISH COUNCIL), WE HAVE RECEIVED FORMALLY SPANISH DRAFT OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE COMBINED STAFF. WE HAVE AGREED WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY THAT WE WOULD ATTEMPT TO REACH FINAL AGREEMENT ON THE TERMS OF REFERENCE EXPEDITIOUSLY SO THAT THESE MIGHT BE FINALLY AND FORMALLY APPROVED AT THE COMING MEETING OF THE US-SPANISH COUNCIL AT THE LEVEL OF PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES (REFTEL). THE SPANISH SIDE HAS MENTIONED THE POSSIBILITY OF HOLDING THIS MEETING ON JAN 25 BUT RECOGNIZES THAT THE BEGINNING OF FEB MAY BE MORE REALISTIC.

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2. ACTION REQUESTED: REQUEST WE BE ADVISED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHEN WE CAN EXPECT TO HAVE IN OUR HANDS A CERTIFIED ENGLISH TEXT WITH APPROVAL AUTHORITY.

3. THE SPANISH TEXT AS RECEIVED IS IDENTICAL EXCEPT FOR THE DATE (22 NOV VICE 22 OCT) WITH THAT WHICH WAS REVIEWED IN NOV BY

CINCEUR AND JCS AND WITH RESPECT TO WHICH WE UNDERSTAND CJCS INDICATED HIS APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE TO THE CHIEF OF THE SPANISH HIGH GENERAL STAFF (FERNANDEZ VALLESPIN) AT THE BEGINNING OF DEC. THIS TEXT WAS ALSO POUCHED TO EUR/WE (DURKEE) UNDER COVER OF A LETTER FROM THE EMBASSY DATED DEC 10.

4. THE SPANISH TEXT IS IN TURN BASED ON THE US DRAFT SUBMITTED TO THE SPANISH GOVT LAST AUG. IT DOES CONTAIN A NUMBER OF EDITORIAL CHANGES AND SEVERAL CHANGES OF SUBSTANCE, WHICH ARE ALREADY KNOWN TO ADDRESSEES. FOR EXAMPLE, IT NARROWS CONSIDERABLY THE SCOPE OF THE OPENING PARAGRAPH SETTING FORTH THE CONCEPT. IT ALSO PROVIDES SPECIFICALLY THAT THE CODIRECTORS SHALL BE GENERAL OFFICERS, THAT THERE SHALL BE DEPUTY DIRECTORS, THAT THERE SHALL BE A GENERAL SECRETARIAT IN ADDITION TO 4 PLANNING AND COORDINATION SECTIONS AND RENAMES THE FIRST OF THESE. IT ADDS TWO ADDITIONAL AREAS IN WHICH MARITIME DEFENSE PLANNING WILL BE UNDERTAKEN: AIR OPERATIONS AND SUBMARINE OPERATIONS. INSTEAD OF TALKING IN TERMS OF A COMBINED STUDY OF THE SPANISH ROLE IN WESTERN DEFENSE IN THE PERIOD 1977-1982, IT TALKS OF A 5-YEAR ROLLING PLAN BEGINNING IN 1977 WHICH WOULD BE BROUGHT UP TO DATE EACH YEAR DURING THE LIFE OF THE TREATY. IT DOWNGRADES SOMEWHAT THE POSSIBILITY OF ASSIGNING OF US LIAISON OFFICERS TO SPANISH MILITARY HEADQUARTERS. AND FINALLY, UNDER ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, IT DROPS ALL REFERENCE TO THE DISPLAY OF NATIONAL FLAGS IN THE VICINITY OF THE COMBINED HEAD-QUARTERS (THE SPANISH MILITARY OPPOSE EXTERNAL DISPLAY) AND INTRODUCES SOME LIMITING LANGUAGE ON THE USE OF REGULAR COMMERCIAL AND MILITARY COMMUNICATIONS. ANNEXED TO THE SPANISH TEXT, BUT PRESUMABLY NOT REQUIRING US AGREEMENT, IS AN ORGANIZA-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TIONAL CHART WHICH IS MUCH MORE DETAILED AND SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT FROM THAT WHICH WAS INFORMALLY ANNEXED TO THE US DRAFT.

5. ASSUMING APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE, AS WELL AS THE CONCURRENCE OF THIS MISSION, MAY NOW BE FORMALLY APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES GOVT, WE WILL NEED A CERTIFIED US TRANSLATION SO THAT AT THE COUNCIL MEETING THE SPANISH AND US PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES MAY INITIAL TEXTS IN BOTH LANGUAGES. STABLER

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